

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (Original) A method for reconciling data, comprising:
 - receiving information identifying data sources to be reconciled;
 - retrieving data from a first data source based on a dynamic link identifying data in the first data source;
 - retrieving data from a second data source based on a dynamic link identifying data in the second data source;
 - processing a first portion of a reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the first data source to generate a first result;
 - processing a second portion of the reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the second data source to generate a second result;
 - comparing the first result with the second result; and
 - confirming that data in the first data source is reconciled with the data in the second data source if the first result matches the second result.
2. (Original) The method of claim1, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule comprises:
 - adding a first selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the first result.
3. (Original) The method of claim 2, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule further comprises:
 - subtracting a second selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the first result.
4. (Original) The method of claim1, wherein the operation of processing a second portion of the reconciliation rule comprises:
 - adding a first selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the second result.
5. (Original) The method of claim 4, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule further comprises:

subtracting a second selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the second result.

6. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

generating an indication that the data in the first data source is not reconciled with the data in the second data source if the first result does not match the second result.

7. (Original) The method of claim 1, further comprising:

generating a reconciliation report based on the first and second results.

8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the dynamic link identifying data in the first data source identifies a location of the data in the first data source.

9. (Original) The method of claim 8, wherein the dynamic link identifying data in the first data source further identifies a routine to retrieve data from the first data source.

10. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the dynamic link identifying data in the second data source identifies a location of the data in the second data source.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein the dynamic link identifying data in the second data source further identifies a routine to retrieve data from the second data source.

12. (Original) A machine-readable medium having stored thereon a plurality of executable instructions to be executed by a processor to implement a method for reconciling data, the method comprising:

receiving information identifying data sources to be reconciled;

retrieving data from a first data source based on a dynamic link identifying data in the first data source;

retrieving data from a second data source based on a dynamic link identifying data in the second data source;

processing a first portion of a reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the first data source to generate a first result;

processing a second portion of the reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the second data source to generate a second result;

comparing the first result with the second result; and

confirming that data in the first data source is reconciled with the data in the second data source if the first result matches the second result.

13. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 12, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule comprises:

adding a first selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the first result.

a second selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the first result.

14. (Currently Amended) The machine-readable medium of claim[[9]] 12, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule further comprises:

subtracting a second selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the first result

15. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 12, wherein the operation of processing a second portion of the reconciliation rule comprises:

adding a first selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the second result.

16. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 15, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule further comprises:

subtracting a second selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the second result.

17. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 12, further comprising:

generating an indication that the data in the first data source is not reconciled with the data in the second data source if the first result does not match the second result.

18. (Original) The machine-readable medium of claim 12, further comprising:

generating a reconciliation report based on the first and second results.

19. (Original) A system comprising:

first and second data sources;

a processor configured to:

- receiving information identifying data sources to be reconciled;
- retrieve data from a first data source based on a dynamic link identifying data in the first data source;
- retrieve data from a second data source based on a dynamic link identifying data in the second data source;
- process a first portion of a reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the first data source to generate a first result;
- process a second portion of the reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the second data source to generate a second result;
- comparing the first result with the second result; and

an output manager configured to confirm that data in the first data source is reconciled with the data in the second data source if the first result matches the second result.

20. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the output manager is further configured to generate a reconciliation report based on the first and second results.

21. (Original) The system of claim 19, wherein the output manager is further configured to generate an indication that the data in the first data source is not reconciled with the data in the second data source if the first result does not match the second result.

22. (New) A method for reconciling data, comprising:

- receiving information identifying data sources to be reconciled;
- retrieving data from a first set of data sources based on a dynamic link identifying data in the first set of data sources;
- retrieving data from a second set of data sources based on a dynamic link identifying data in the second set of data sources;
- processing a first portion of a reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the first set of data sources to generate a first result;
- processing a second portion of the reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the second set of data sources to generate a second result;

comparing the first result with the second result; and
confirming that data in the first set of data sources is reconciled with the data in the second set of data sources if the first result matches the second result.

23. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule comprises:

adding a first selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the first result.

24. (New) The method of claim 23, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule further comprises:

subtracting a second selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the first result.

25. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein the operation of processing a second portion of the reconciliation rule comprises:

adding a first selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the second result.

26. (New) The method of claim 25, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule further comprises:

subtracting a second selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the second result.

27. (New) The method of claim 22, further comprising:

generating an indication that the data in the first set of data sources is not reconciled with the data in the second set of data sources if the first result does not match the second result.

28. (New) The method of claim 22, further comprising:

generating a reconciliation report based on the first and second results.

29. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein the dynamic link identifying data in the first set of data sources identifies a location of the data in the first set of data sources.

30. (New) The method of claim 29 wherein the dynamic link identifying data in the first set of data sources further identifies a routine to retrieve data from the first set of data sources.

31. (New) The method of claim 22, wherein the dynamic link identifying data in the second set of data sources identifies a location of the data in the second set of data sources.

32. (New) The method of claim 31, wherein the dynamic link identifying data in the second set of data sources further identifies a routine to retrieve data from the second set of data sources.

33. (New) A machine-readable medium having stored thereon a plurality of executable instructions to be executed by a processor to implement a method for reconciling data, the method comprising:

- receiving information identifying data sources to be reconciled;
- retrieving data from a first set of data sources based on a dynamic link identifying data in the first set of data sources;
- retrieving data from a second set of data sources based on a dynamic link identifying data in the second set of data sources;
- processing a first portion of a reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the first set of data sources to generate a first result;
- processing a second portion of the reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the second set of data sources to generate a second result;
- comparing the first result with the second result; and
- confirming that data in the first set of data sources is reconciled with the data in the second set of data sources if the first result matches the second result.

34 (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 33, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule comprises:

- adding a first selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the first result.

35. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 33, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule further comprises:
- subtracting a second selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the first result.
36. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 33, wherein the operation of processing a second portion of the reconciliation rule comprises:
- adding a first selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the second result.
37. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 36, wherein the operation of processing a first portion of the reconciliation rule further comprises:
- subtracting a second selected portion of the retrieved data to generate the second result.
38. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 33, further comprising:
- generating an indication that the data in the first set of data sources is not reconciled with the data in the second set of data sources if the first result does not match the second result.
39. (New) The machine-readable medium of claim 33, further comprising:
- generating a reconciliation report based on the first and second results.
40. (New) A system comprising:
- first and second sets of data sources;
 - a processor configured to:
 - receiving information identifying data sources to be reconciled;
 - retrieve data from a first set of data sources based on a dynamic link identifying data in the first set of data sources;
 - retrieve data from a second set of data sources based on a dynamic link identifying data in the second set of data sources;
 - process a first portion of a reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the first set of data sources to generate a first result;

process a second portion of the reconciliation rule using the retrieved data from the second set of data sources to generate a second result;
comparing the first result with the second result; and
an output manager configured to confirm that data in the first set of data sources is reconciled with the data in the second set of data sources if the first result matches the second result.

41. (New) The system of claim 40, wherein the output manager is further configured to generate a reconciliation report based on the first and second results.

42. (New) The system of claim 40, wherein the output manager is further configured to generate an indication that the data in the first set of data sources is not reconciled with the data in the second set of data sources if the first result does not match the second result.